

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1892.

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—10 per cent premium, sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £500 paid up—25 per cent div., sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders, shares, \$200 per share, buyers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$7 per share, sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$40 per share, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—25 per cent premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—3 per cent premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1885 £—14 per cent premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$25 per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$51 per share, buyers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 355 per share, sellers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$102 per share, sellers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$108, nominal.
Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$22 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$14 per share, sellers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$33 per share, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$3 per share, sales and sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—27 per cent discount, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$35 per share, sales and sellers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$30 per cent premium, sales and buyers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sales and sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$5 per share, sales and sellers.
The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.
The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.
Penjor and Sungai Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$1 per share, sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—55 cents per share, buyers.
Inouye Mining Co., Limited—\$1.25 per share, sales and buyers.
The Balfour Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.
Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—\$350 per share, sales and buyers.
The Jellicoe Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.
The Selangor Tin Mining Co., Limited—20 cents per share, buyers.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$8 sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$135 per share, sales and sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$40 per share, nominal.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$175 per share, sales and buyers.
Cruckshank & Co., Limited—\$10 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$51 per share, buyers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$22 per share, sellers.
The Labu Planting Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sales.
The China-Bureau Co., Limited—nominal.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$33 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$31 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Ropeway Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$104 per share, sellers.
Houskong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$75 per share, sales and sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.
The Ghera Island Cement Co.—\$3 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$48 per share, buyers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/0
Bank Bills, on demand 2/0
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/0
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/10
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/10
On PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 3/52
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/60
On India, T. T. 219
On Demand 220
On SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 72
Private, 30 days' sight 23

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Yongki*, with the French mail of the 18th ult., left Singapore on the 13th instant at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 20th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with the American mail of the 24th ult., left Yokohama the 14th instant at daylight, and may be expected here on the 19th.

The P. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio-de-Janeiro* left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama on the 5th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 6th instant for Yokohama, Shanghai and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The steamer *Mermaid* left Singapore on the 10th instant, and is due here on the 16th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Lombardy* left Bombay on the 20th ult., and may be expected here on the 17th instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malacca* left Bombay on the 2nd instant, and may be expected here on the 20th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Canton* left London on the 11th instant for this port.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

TARTAR, British steamer, 1,567, D. S. Bailey, 13th April.—Shanghai 10th April, General—Dodge, Carill & Co.

PROSPERITY, British steamer, 1,387, W. H. Farrand, 13th April.—Salon 9th April, Rice—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

WASHINGTON, German steamer, Soc. C. Zindel, 13th April.—Shanghai 10th April, General—Siemens & Co.

HARTAN, British steamer, 1,182, H. Bathurst, 14th April.—Froochow 10th April, Amoy 11th, and Swatow 13th, General—D. Laprak & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 674, A. W. R. Cobbin, 14th April.—Manila 11th April, General—Show & Co.

FREJER, Danish steamer, 397, C. L. Strand, 14th April.—Pakhol 11th April, and Hohew 13th, General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

NISSAM, British steamer, for Singapore, &c. *Chelydra*, British steamer, for Kuchinotzu. *Haibong*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. *Holstet*, German steamer, for Salon.

LY-EE-MOON, German steamer, for Shanghai. *Tartar*, British steamer, for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

April 14, *Esmeralda*, British str., for Amoy, &c.

April 14, *Melrose*, British str., for Singapore, &c.

April 14, *Carmarthenshire*, British str., for Singapore.

April 14, *Nisam*, British str., for Singapore, &c.

April 14, *Mesje*, Chinese str., for Amoy, &c.

April 14, *Hankow*, British str., for Shanghai.

April 14, *Abergeldie*, British steamer, for Salon.

April 14, *Brueckner*, British str., for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Zafiro*, str., from Manila for Hongkong.—

Capital H. M. Jones, Messrs. H. J. Workman, R. Tomas, and 34 Chinese. For Amoy.—Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Tracy and a servant.

Per *Hartan*, str., from Froochow, &c.—Messrs. Orange, Leopoldo Luis, and 16 Chinese.

Per *Atkinson*, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. Milians, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Prophetic*, str., from Saigon.—7 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Melrose*, str., from Hongkong for London.—Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Messrs. Clarke, P. Groom, C. Bankier, Grunauer, and Minthorn. From Shanghai for London, v/s Marseilles.—Messrs. F. G. Cockay and Dickinson. For Sydney.—Mrs. Nicoll and Miss Mcilwain. From Japan for Penang.—Hon. S. Leger Jervis. For London.—Hon. Stuart Wortley, Dr. B. Rendell, and Mrs. Roxburg. For London, v/s Marseilles.—Mrs. Kirkles and Rev. J. Inglis.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

The British steamship *Zafiro* reports that she left Manila on the 11th instant. Had moderate breeze with fine weather.

The German steamship *Aschaffenburg* reports that she left Shanghai on the 10th instant. Had light breezes and fog the first part of the voyage. After passing Tumabut had fresh north-easterly winds.

The British steamship *Prophetic* reports that she left Saigon on the 6th instant at 11.30 a.m. Had light south-east winds and calm weather to 19° north lat.; thence to port had strong north-west to north-north-east winds and high sea with fine weather.

The British steamship *Tartar* reports that she left Shanghai on the 10th instant. Had moderate easterly winds and fine weather to Haichan Island; thence light variable winds and calms with thick foggy weather to Turnabout; afterwards had strong north-east winds with heavy rain to Chapel Island; from there to port less rain and clear weather.

The British steamship *Hartan* reports that she left Fochow on the 10th instant, Amoy on the 11th, and Swatow on the 13th. From Fochow to Amoy had fresh north-east breeze and fine weather. From Amoy to Swatow had light variable winds and foggy weather. From Swatow to Hongkong had light winds and overcast sky. In Amoy, the steamship *Cheung Hock Kien*.

SAFETY VESSELS.

ALTAIR, British barque, 399, T. Munro, 24th March.—Singapore 22nd January, Timber.—Wielers & Co.

ERIKKONG, Chinese bark, 437, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

ICERBERG, American ship, 1,135, W. F. Treat, 11th April.—New York 15th Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Order.

JENNIE HARRNESS, American bark, 1,205, F. W. Ansberry, 17th March.—New York 21st Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Gilmor & Co.

J. WERLEY, German bark, 240, G. Schleder, 17th March.—Jaluit, Marins Islands 1/4 Yap 3rd Feb., General.—Siemens & Co.

JOSEPHINE, American ship, 1,400, Smithwick, 25th Jan.—New York 14th August, Kerosene Oil.—Order.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Fatshan, British steamer, 2,260, W. J. Risby, H. C. & M. S. Co.

Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, Lloyd—Butterfield & Swire.

Heungshan, British steamer, 1,055, W. E. Clarke—H. C. & M. S. Co.

Ho-nan, British steamer, 1,577, G. R. Leidow—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 300, Holmes—China Merchants S. N. Co.

King-chow, British steamer, 2,217, T. A. Webster—H. C. & M. S. Co.

Pao-ki, Chinese steamer, 224, J. W. Stevens—Tok Kee.

Powai, British steamer, 1,050, G. R. Gorgens—Honkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Tai-ou, British steamer, 755, G. R. Gorgens—China.

White Cloud, British steamer, 1,171, A. Crickbank—H. C. & M. S. Co.

White Star, British steamer, 1,200, J. W. Stevens—Tok Kee.

White Swan, British steamer, 1,200, J. W. Stevens—Tok Kee.

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SHERRIES.

A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	6	0.60
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	7.50	0.75
C Manzana, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule	10	1.00
C Superior Old Dry Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule	10	1.10
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule	12	1.10

Per doz.	Per Case.	Per Bot.
E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)	14	1.10
F Sherries, 1.50	1.50	1.50
G Claret, 1.50	1.50	1.50
H Quart.	2.00	2.00

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A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule	\$4	\$4.50
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D La Rose, Red Capsule	11	12.00

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C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule	20	1.75
D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 vintage, Red Capsule	30	2.50

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
B Watson's Glenorchy, Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
C Watson's Abergavenny, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
D Watson's H. K. D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	10	1.00
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule	12	1.10

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A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule	8	0.75
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule	10	1.00
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule	12	1.10
D Genuine Bourbon Whisky, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name	10	1.00

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A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule	8	0.75
B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
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DEATH.

RODKIN.—At the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong, April 14th, after a painful illness, ARTHUR BERNARD RODKIN, aged 38.

The "Hongkong Telegraph".

HONGKONG THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1892.

OUR NEWEST MAGISTRATE.

Mr. JUSTICE FIELDING CLARKE has done good service to the Government and the public in putting our newest amateur magistrate through his paces in the course of the *Torrington*'s lawsuit with the crew. His Lordship made several very important comments on the proceedings in the Marine Magistrate's Court, for which Commander Hastings, R. N., was responsible. As to the finding, His Lordship said:—"I should certainly say the evidence does not warrant a conviction; no specific act of disobedience was proved." Again, Mr. Hastings said that after the order of discharge was made, "the master would attend at the Mercantile Marine office, render the men's account, and leave their pay for them when they came out of gaol." His Lordship exclaimed at this—"Doesn't that strike you as very unfair?" The master pays, in their absence, and goes away and they have no chance to say anything." A little further, a statement made by Mr. Hastings quite staggered His Lordship who asked in surprise—"Do you mean to say that it is the practice of the Court in Hongkong to discharge a man who has a right to be carried back to England?" And Mr. Hastings innocently said it was. This was bad enough, though it subsequently appeared in evidence that in this case the discharge had not been carried out, so that the men were still on the ship's articles. Many other points cropped up in the course of the hearing, all indicating that the Court was conducted in the most amateurish fashion. His Lordship's judgment is a masterpiece of skilful analysis and accurate deduction. Mr. FIELDING CLARKE said, referring to that phase of the suit in which Mr. Hastings was involved—"I am quite sure I fully recognise the duty of any Court of Justice to maintain the discipline of a ship among seamen; and also to maintain the authority of the Magistrate's Court. I think it right, however, to say that in a charge of this sort—or of any sort—the Magistrate should have been very careful to ensure justice to both sides." And then he went on to show, by most exhaustive examination, of every detail, how very many things were neglected with the result that a gross injustice was perpetrated, not intentionally but in pure ignorance, tinged with the natural

bias of a Naval Commander's training. The learned Judge says of the whole proceedings:—"Well, it is quite clear there was a question between the men and the captain, whether when they refused work they were reasonably entitled to do so under the circumstances, and it is quite clear to me this question was not brought out in the proceedings before the Magistrate. . . . If proceeded against individually they could have called friends, and if proceeded against altogether, care should have been taken that any evidence that could be produced for them should be. The third and fourth engineers might have been sent for." Of the sentence, there were four parts:—(1) Imprisonment; (2) stoppage of wages; (3) fine, in payment of survey expenses; (4) discharge, involving loss of passage to England. The first, imprisonment, was hardly justified, as there was really very little evidence of the offence alleged. The second is beyond the power of the Marine Magistrate, who could only stop two days' pay, whereas he ordered the stoppage of very much more, and but for this civil action his illegal order would have been carried out. He had absolutely no power to fine the men on account of survey expenses, even had the survey been frivolously demanded, which it emphatically was not. His Lordship continued, as to the order of discharge:—"From what the Magistrate said in connection with these parts, there has been a danger of a very considerable injustice being done to seamen who have been engaged in England

MR. A. B. RODYK.

Few who have lived in this colony during recent years but will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Arthur Bernard Rodyk, which took place at the Hospital last night, after a painful illness of over a month. Mr. Rodyk was still a young man, two years short of forty, but in his brief life he had a more eventful career than is the lot of many. Born in Penang, son of the late distinguished head of the old firm of Rodyk and Davidson, the leading legal house in the Straits, Mr. Rodyk's ardent disposition early led to his flight from the parental roof, and after many ups and downs in the course of which he visited the United States and sampled several different professions, he ultimately bought up in Hongkong, and became a highly successful architect. Mr. Rodyk made steady progress with the law, and held a fairly good position among his legal brethren at one time. Later, however, the climate and the social temptations of Hongkong life made great ravages with his fine physique, and for over a year he was seen to be going rapidly down the hill. Of good-natured, easy-going disposition, he neglected the warnings of nature, and his health broke down in the beginning of this year. He had only been married in October last to Miss Trigge, and had lived quietly and happily at Kowloon, but finding that unsatisfactory returned to this side of the water. Three weeks ago he had to go to the hospital with an attack on the liver, which taxed all the ability of the doctors. An exceedingly difficult operation was performed, and the abscess was successfully removed, but the strain was too much, and Mr. Rodyk passed away last night, at a quarter to seven. The funeral took place this afternoon, and was attended by the Acting Chief Justice and a large number of professional and personal friends.

FOOCHOW NOTES.

FOOCHOW, April 9th. H.M.S. *Pallas* arrived on the 13th ultimo, and left for the "North early this morning. The *Pallas*' eleven best Foochow hollows.

We have been assured that the cost of the new tea leaf in the country will be fully 30 to 40 per cent lower than last year, which is not at all astonishing after such a season as has just come to an end.

We hear that it is reported in the different *Yamans* in the city that the new Viceroy will not arrive until the 15th moon, and that he will be accompanied by a new Tartar-General to relieve the present one, who intends retiring into private life.

There was a proclamation posted in the city some months ago urging the discontinuance of foreign oil (kerosene) as being dangerous to life and property. Another proclamation of the same description has appeared prohibiting the use of it, for the same reasons. As there have been very few fires of late many people are at a loss to understand why the startling decree has been issued.

According to our information but few of the tea men have gone up country, and but few of these have been able to obtain any advances. To these latter, accommodation is promised as soon as they bring their tea down; but, as ready cash is necessary to the carrying out of their business, they will not be able to do very much. The buying in these distant districts will work very slowly, and early supplies will, no doubt, be spread over a longer space of time than formerly. In the nearer districts, we only hear of the Flower Peke men being on the move, and many of these, again, are leaving without being able to get a cent advanced to them.

The present tightness of the money market at this port is said to be unprecedented. At this time of the year there are generally plenty of rich men, bankers and others, ready to loan on good interest, but for some reason borrowers complain of not being able to get any accommodation. Some attribute this to a general want of confidence in the safety of the trade of the port, so few of the articles of import and export being remunerative; while others ascribe it to native capitalists simply following in the wake of the foreign merchants and bankers, who, they state, are not losing money this Spring.

The case of kidnapping has been so frequent of late that a reward of a hundred dollars is not offered by the government for the apprehension of an offender, and fifty dollars to any person who will give information as to the whereabouts of such an offender. In the city the losses of children have been so numerous that it is evident an organized trade is being carried on, even officials' servant girls having been decoyed or carried away.

We have had another opportunity of airing our views on the subject of manuring tea plantations, this time with a well-to-do man from the Fok-Oon district, and we regret to say with no better result than on the previous occasion. The same arguments were repeated. He would not be persuaded that he would be amply repaid for the extra cost and labour of manuring, by obtaining a better price for his tea. The simple man could only see that the cost of the tea would be so much increased. We should much like to see the suggestions lately made in these columns acted on, viz., that the Chamber of Commerce should take this matter up. A subscriber, writing to us, points out that the most effectual method of getting the plantations manured would be through the authorities in the city, who should have the matter brought before them by the foreign Consuls. He is probably right, but to accomplish this, the initiative would have to be taken by the Chamber of Commerce in addressing the foreign Consuls, in the first place, on the subject. —*Echo.*

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

LONDON, March 10th. The Earl of Derby died here to-day.

The Standard's Zanzibar correspondent telegraphs: Unverified reports have been received that the British East Africa Company's troops sustained defeat in Witu at the hands of a large force of natives, losing many men and arms.

The next Russian military manoeuvres in the vicinity of Moscow will be on a gigantic scale. Six army corps will take part, besides guards and cavalry, the whole reaching a total of 200,000 men.

It is reported that the Emperor William will personally sail his yacht the *Metz* (late *Tatler*) for the Queen's Cup in the Cowes regatta.

In the Commons the credit for the Mombasa railway survey was carried without a division.

PARIS, March 10th.

The gloomy outlook in German home politics was bound to tell on foreign politics. For some days past alarming rumors have been in circulation with regard to the relations of Germany and Russia. The German agents did not venture to spread any more discrediting reports about the relations of the empire and France. The game had grown too dangerous. Nor need one exaggerate the importance of the stories about the Russo-France war, which she would find inconvenient just now.

The French Foreign Office announced to-day that the commercial treaty with the United States has been concluded.

ROME, March 10th.

There was an exciting scene in the Chamber

of Deputies to-day. Premier Rudin reproached ex-Premier Crisp for discourtesy. Crisp replied in a similar vein. An exciting exchange of charges and counter-charges occurred. The President of the Chamber finally requested the Premier to respect the rules of the House.

The Pope has communicated to the newspaper *Observatore Romano* a note defending Dr. Ireland, Archishop of St. Paul, against the attacks made upon him by his enemies in the United States.

MADRID, March 10th.

The Senate to-day approved the commercial convention between Spain and the United States.

BERLIN, March 10th.

Emperor William is confined to his bed and his physicians say he is suffering from a slight cold. Some alarm, however, is felt concerning his condition.

Vienna, March 10th.

The Emperor has commuted the sentence of Rosalie Schneider to penal servitude for life. Rosalie and her husband were found guilty of robbing and murdering a number of servant girls.

The aged servant of St. Stephen's Cathedral was found murdered to-day in his room. The case is surrounded with mystery.

BUDA-PESTH, March 10th.

The currency commission to-day agreed that it would not be an insurmountable difficulty to create and maintain the necessary supply of gold.

DARMSTADT, March 10th.

The grand Duke of Hesse, who was thought to be dying from paralysis, is much improved.

LONDON, March 10th.

Professor John Cairns, D.D., LL.D., principal of the United Presbyterian College at Edinburgh and a well-known writer, is dead, in his seventy-fourth year.

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Hongkong, 11th April, 1892. [418]

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1892. [425]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1892. [259]

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AN APOLOGY.

THE PROSECUTION OF THE OPIUM FARMER.

I BEG to express through your columns my deep regret that I should in a hasty moment, in consequence of my not being able to read or understand Chinese accounts, have commenced a prosecution against Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN, the chief manager of the late Opium Farm, with reference to the funds of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE. A complete investigation into the "matter" and a careful examination of the books and accounts have thoroughly convinced me that my suspicious were wholly groundless; and that there has been nothing whatever in Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN's management of the business of the OPIUM FARM that is in any way reprehensible; and further, that he has all along been doing his best, honestly and faithfully, for the benefit of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE.

I should be obliged if you would insert this letter in your correspondence column once, and afterwards as an advertisement for the period of one month, as I am anxious to undo as far as possible any injury I may have, through my hasty and unjustifiable action, inflicted upon Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN.

Your's truly,

OH TEE LEONG,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1892. [408]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

PROGRAMME OF TENTH PRIZE MEETING

TO BE HELD AT KOWLOON ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY, April 15th, 16th and 17th, 1892.

1st.—*All Comers*.—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 50 cents each. Ten prizes, value \$20. Presented, 1st prize, \$8, 2nd prize, \$6, 3rd prize, \$4, 4th prize, \$4, 5th prize, \$4, 6th prize, \$3, 7th prize, \$3, 8th prize, \$3, 9th prize, \$2, 10th prize, \$2.

2nd.—*Queen's 1st Stage*.—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes, value \$10. Presented by C. J. Holliday, Esq. Position—Standing or Kneeling.

3rd.—*Members of Councils*.—Past and Present Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong. Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. No entrance fee. Service target. Prize, Silver Cup presented by A. McConachie, Esq.

4th.—*Ladies' Tournament*.—Open to Lady Members or their Nominees. Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. No entrance fee. See condition No. 3. Ten prizes, presented.

1st Prize, Silver Girdle.
2nd " Cloisonné Koro.
3rd " Silver Paper-knife.
4th " Pair of Cloisonné Vases.
5th " Gold Bangle.
6th " Gold Shawl Pin.
7th " Chinese Brooch.
8th " Silver Card Case.
9th " Silver Buckles.
10th " Blackwood Curio Stand.

5th.—*Ladies' Prizes*.—Presented by the Ladies of Hongkong. Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Three prizes.

6th.—*All Comers*.—Distance 200 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 50 cents each. Prizes—60 per cent. of the entries to be distributed amongst the best four scorers. 1st Prize, 40 per cent, and Prize, 30 per cent., 3rd Prize, 20 per cent., 4th Prize, 10 per cent.

7th.—*All Comers*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 30 cents each. Ten prizes, value \$40. Presented, 1st Prize, \$8, and Prize, \$6, 3rd Prize, \$4, 4th Prize, \$4, 5th Prize, \$4, 6th Prize, \$3, 7th Prize, \$3, 8th Prize, \$3, 9th Prize, \$2, 10th Prize, \$2.

8th.—*Queen's 1st Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes. Presented by Members of the Civil Service. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

9th.—*Queen's 2nd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Victoria Aggregate" No. 17. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

10th.—*All Comers*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Unlimited entries, 50 cents each. Prizes—60 per cent. of the entries to be distributed amongst the best four scorers. 1st Prize, 40 per cent, and Prize, 30 per cent., 3rd Prize, 20 per cent., 4th Prize, 10 per cent.

11th.—*Queen's 2nd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Four prizes. Presented by Members of the Civil Service. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

12th.—*Queen's 3rd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Victoria Aggregate" No. 17. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

13th.—*Queen's 3rd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Victoria Aggregate" No. 17. Position—Sitting, Kneeling or Prone.

14th.—*Queen's 3rd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Long Range Aggregate" No. 18.

15th.—*Queen's 3rd Stage*.—Distance 300 yards. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance fee, 50 cents. For prizes, see "Long Range Aggregate" No. 18.

16th.—*Aggregates open to Members*.—*Nursery Aggregate*.—Restricted to members who are not yet scratch shots of the Hongkong Rifle Association, and who have never won a First or Second prize exceeding the value of \$1 at any previous prize meeting in Hongkong, or elsewhere, and whose respective scores in competitions Nos. 1, 7, and 12 make up the highest aggregates. Six prizes, value \$40. Entrance fee, 50 cents.

17th.—*The "Lander" Cup*.—For the highest aggregate in the first stage of the Queen's Navy and Military excluded. Entrance fee, 50 cents. One Prize—Presented by Capt. Burgess Watson and Officers of H. M. S. Lander.

18th.—*Victoria Aggregate*.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 2nd stage of the Queen's (competitions Nos. 9 and 12) make up the highest aggregates. No entrance fee. Five prizes, value \$25. Presented by Members of the Hongkong Club, 1st Prize, \$7, and Prize, \$6, 3rd Prize, \$4, 4th Prize, \$4, 5th Prize, \$3.

19th.—*The "Long Range Aggregate"*.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 3rd stage of the Queen's (competitions Nos. 13 and 14) make up the highest aggregates. No entrance fee. Five prizes, value \$25. Presented by H. N. Mody, Esq. 1st Prize, \$7, and Prize, \$6, 3rd Prize, \$4, 4th Prize, \$4, 5th Prize, \$3.

20th.—*Champion Aggregate*.—For the competitor whose scores in the three stages of the Queen's make up the highest aggregate. Winner of the Champion Aggregate disqualifies. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Presented.

21st.—*Queen's Aggregate*.—For competitors whose respective scores in the three stages of the Queen's make up the highest aggregates. Winner of the Champion Aggregate disqualifies. Entrance fee, 50 cents. Presented.

22nd.—*Pool—Open to All Comers*.—150 yards, 50 cents each shot.

The entrance money for Pool (less 25 per cent.) will be divided daily, the prizes of Friday and Saturday morning, those of Saturday, on Monday morning; those of Monday, if possible, on Monday evening.

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